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SUBJECT: Agreement with Australia

We expect to conclude an unclassified Agreement with Australia on November 10 for the joint establishment, maintenance and operation of a Defense Space Communications Station to be located at Woomera. About 300 US personnel, originally civilian, later USAF personnel, will operate the station at Woomera once it is established. The GOA has indicated its intention to issue a press release locally on the occasion of the conclusion of this Agreement, publish the text of the Agreement in its official journals, <sup>and</sup> to register the Agreement with the UN.

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